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SIR:

The Applicant wishes to bring the enclosed prior art, cited in a search report (copy enclosed) from the European Patent Office, to the attention of the Examiner.

A copy of the cited prior art and a PTO-1449 form are enclosed.

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A check for the requisite fee of \$180.00 for consideration of this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is submitted herewith. If any additional fees are due, please charge such sums to our Deposit Account No. 50-1145, Order No. 769-303.

Respectfully submitted,

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